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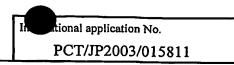
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement						
Box No. VI Certain documents cited						
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	the claims:					
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. Statement				
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-10)	YES
	Claims			NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-10)	- YES
	Claims			_ NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-10)	– YES
	Claims			NO
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